GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVATION
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:4201
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GOVT. OF INDIA TEXTBOOK PRESS CHANDIGARH
PAWAN KUMAR BANSAL

Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government of India Textbook Press, Chandigarh has won several awards in the past;

(b) if so, whether this Press has not been included in the latest modernisation programme;

(c) if so, the reasons therefor;

(d) whether there is a proposal to close or transfer the same to the Local Administration; and

(e) if so, the reasons therefor and implications thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT & POVERTY ALLEVIATION (SHRI O. RAJAGOPAL)

(a): Yes, Sir.

(b)to(e): The matter regarding closure/transfer/modernization of various Govt. of India Presses had been under consideration of the Government since long. The Government has now inter-alia decided to transfer the 3 Govt. of India Text Book Presses including that at Chandigarh to the respective State Governments. In case the State Governments do not agree to take over these Presses, the same would be closed. In that event, most of the employeees would be adjusted in other Presses and the remaining would be dealt with as per existing rules/instructions on the subject.